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To the Athenian Society.

FOR *why ſhou'd not we Write to our ſelves, as well as* one part *of* Hobbs *his God Complement another ; or a Poet write a* Paper *of* Verſes *before his own dull Play, to the* laud *and* praiſe *of his own* Pretty Fancy ; *or we our ſelves (or elſe ſome angry Queriſts are miſtaken) often ſend our ſelves* Queſtions, *which we know we can* Anſwer, *while we* let alone *better of other folks, which are too hard for us (as who wou'dn't ; there having been preſidents for't in the Lives of all the Sages before and ſince* Plato.)

But we were like to forget, it muſt be in Form *then, and come dreſt like other* Queſtions, *containing certain matters and cauſes very beneficial to the Publick, which the Society have had long lying before them, and want a little to be put in mind of.*

Gentlemen,

Theſe are in the Name of the Publick (that cares not a farthing for ye, but to our knowledg has been tired with ye theſe two or three years) to remind ye of a ſmall parcel of nice and curious Queſtions that have lain moulding by you time out of mind, ſome three or fourſcore thouſand in a modeſt computation, all which you're deſired to Anſwer preciſely in your next Mercury, *which we adviſe you of, out of pure good* Love *and* Kindneſs, *wiſhing you as well as we do* our own Hearts, *though if you ſtill ſlight us, you muſt expect to hear further from us, who are, if you go to that, as* good as your ſelves, *&c.*

But that ye may have fair play, we'll remind you of ſome of the principal of thoſe Queſtions *we talk of, and ſo conclude.*

When will the War with France *be ended? How ſhall we find the Philoſophers Stone? I'm an Old-maid, how ſhall I do to get an Husband? Were there ever ſuch a parcel of Block-heads as the* Athenians? *I owe ten times more than I'm worth, how ſhall I get it paid? Who were all your Fathers? When ye have once crackt theſe, you ſhall not fail of more from*

Your faithful Remembrancers, &c.

Anſw. From *Athens* !

You ſhall not fail to receive reaſonable ſatisfaction *in theſe and the remaining Query's in our next* Mercury. *Witneſs our Hands this 12th of* Aug. 1695.

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